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PLEASE PASS TO REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS L. ASHLEY
FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OREP (ASHLEY, THOMAS L.)
SUBJ: CODEL ASHLEY

REF: STATE 211905

1. UNDERSTAND POSSIBILITY EXISTS OF YOUR VISITING SAUDI ARABIA IN LATE SEPTEMBER. STRONGLY URGE THAT YOU DO SO. WE WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

2. PROPOSED ITINERARY WOULD INCLUDE VISIT TO OILS FIELDS IN DHAHRAN, MEETINGS WITH ARAMCO OFFICIALS, AND CONFERENCES WITH KEY SAUDI OFFICIALS, INCLUDING OIL MINISTER ZAKI YAMANI, FOREIGN MINISTER SAUD, AND POSSIBLY KING KHALID AND CROWN PRINCE FAHD. IN ORDER TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY INDICATION OF YOUR PLANS IN VIEW OF TWELVE DAY POST-RAMDAN HOLIDY BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT VISIT BY YOU AT THIS TIME WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL. CRUCIAL DECISIONS WILL BE MADE IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS BY SAUDI OFFICIALS HAVING TO DO WITH OIL PRODUCTION AND GENERAL ENERGY POLICIES. SAUDI ARABIAN
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GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS JOINT US-SAG ENERGY POLICIES AND WERE DISAPPOINTED THAT SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S VISIT WAS POSTPONED UNTIL LATE FALL. I BELIEVE YOUR VISIT WOULD BE MOST MEANINGFUL TO THEM AS WELL AS INFORMATIVE TO YOU AND YOUR STAFF.
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